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The Weather

ARKANSAS — Partly cloudy Tuesday night and Wednesday with little change in temperature.

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# Large Nazi Force Trapped

## Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

### The Farm Viewpoint

In the opinion of the farm bloc congress has dodged the true issue on price-fixing, by proposing to fix the price of commodities without at the same time fixing the price of labor. Steadily mounting wages in the factories have not escaped unnoticed at a time when it is proposed to fix price "ceilings" on agricultural and other commodities.

I should make it plain that any discussion of this labor-commodity argument is concerned less with taking sides than with finding out just what price-fixing is getting us into. Ordinarily we resent the application of the term "commodity" to labor. The whole structure of organized labor, both here and in the other democracies, is built on the distinction between inanimate goods that are bargained for in world markets and the right of the workers who manufacture those goods to a living wage.

But when inflation threatens, and price-fixing is proposed to control it, labor is simply one of several cost factors to be reckoned with in establishing what a fair price "ceiling" shall be for any given commodity. What we are saying is, that any system of price-controls must be all-inclusive or it will go to pot.

It seems to this writer that if the nation is to engage in price-fixing the position of labor will be made more dangerous by being left out of the calculation than by being included. Certainly organized labor took a terrible beating in America immediately after World War One—and, calculated any way you wish, labor depends on wages paid in dollars of known purchasing power, and has the most to lose if some inflation control is not devised.

The farm bloc view referred to at the opening of this article was contained in a recent Farm Bureau Federation statement. As the Associated Press reported it:

HARRISON —(AP)—Commenting on price-fixing legislation which Congress placed on its "preferred list," R. E. Short of Brinkley, president of the Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation, predicted at a meeting of Third Congressional District agricultural leaders here that "we will have inflation unless someone shows more statesmanship than has been shown."

He criticized the House Banking and Currency Committee for having failed to include the wages of labor in price-fixing legislation, branding this action as "deleterious to the long-time interests of labor as well as the general public."

He expressed the opinion that "they don't really intend to control inflation if labor or any other group is left out of price-fixing" and that "it is going to require the courage of true statesmanship to treat all groups impartially."

The American Farm Bureau Federation, he said, recognizes that agriculture suffers disastrous effects from an inflationary spree, and that the organization has opposed every movement that would lead toward inflation, and is vigorously advocating an "over-all" policy that would place ceilings upon industrial and agricultural prices and the wages of labor on a "parity basis."

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By WILLIS THORNTON

Dark Age Threatened

Perhaps one of the most serious consequences of the Nazis' rule of Germany and of their military victories in most of Europe is that they threaten to bring back to the Old World a recurrence of the Dark Ages when civilization was at one of its lowest ebb and when learning was almost blotted out.

Fear of just exactly that was voiced recently by Dr. E. A. Graham of St. Louis, president of the American College of Surgeons. He said if the Nazis dominated the world after the present war, the atmosphere necessary for the growth of science and the spread of education would not exist. Speaking of his own sphere, he added that German surgery since Hitler came to power had been practically sterile.

What he said of surgery is true of the condition of all the arts and sciences. The Nazi bonfires of books they did not like were highly symbolic of the Hitler "New Order." Men's minds in Germany are no longer free. Their study is fettered. Their teaching is shackled. Professors must talk the kind of fake science that Nazi racial rubbish demands. Their art must be the kind that a one-time inept house painter can appreciate. The blight has fallen everywhere.

The German press is today nothing but a set of Goebbels-edited handbills. There was a time when the Berliner Tageblatt and the Frankfurter Zeitung ranked among the great papers of the world. German science and research were once at the top. Today many of its best men are in exile. These who remain must servilely twist

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## \$18,000 Grant to City for Sewage System

Project as Outlined for Government Approval Called for \$140,000

President Roosevelt Monday approved 21 defense public works projects estimated to cost \$2,463,600, according to a telegram received late Monday by Congressman Owen Harris. The projects approved included \$18,000 for sewer facilities in Hope, without local contribution, Mr. Harris wired.

The project submitted by the city called for a modern sewage disposal plant and additional sewer mains and connections in different sections of Hope. The present disposal plant is about 25 years old and will not adequately take care of the needs of the city.

Although glad to get the \$18,000 grant city officials were somewhat disappointed Tuesday because the original project as submitted for approval called for expenditures of approximately \$140,000.

"Of course the \$18,000 will go a long way toward construction of new sewer lines inside the city, but we have to connect the additional lines to the disposal plant which is already overloaded," one city official said. "The city council is expected to discuss the grant and just how far it will go toward new sewer facilities in Hope at the next meeting night, Tuesday, November 18."

Other Arkansas grants approved are:

Fort Smith: Construction of an addition to St. Edward's Mercy hospital; grant \$60,000; Sisters of Mercy of the Female Academy of Little Rock to contribute \$60,000.

Fort Smith: Construction of a health center; all federal construction, \$50,000.

North Little Rock: Construction of an auditorium and cafeteria to serve the junior high school and the Wilson elementary school; grant, \$75,000; North Little Rock Special School District's contribution, \$500.

## Branch Library Reports Made

Activities for Past Month Are Reviewed

The circulation of books and magazines in Hope and Hempstead county libraries increased 3070 in the month of October of that of September. The people realize that the value of good books and periodicals is never greater in maintaining among the populace of proper spiritual, moral and aesthetic outlook on life than in times of unrest and world wide disturbance.

Spring Hill branch library led the branch libraries in the county by circulating 1318 books and periodicals to 594 registered borrowers in southwest Hempstead county.

Washington branch library, circulated 1274 books and magazines to 439 registered borrowers. Many of these are employed at the Southwest Proving Ground.

Blevins circulated 497 books in the month of October to 441 borrowers. The library circulated 490 books to 345 borrowers.

Columbus circulated 407 books to 179 borrowers. The headquarters library at Hope circulated 1878 books and magazines to 2300 borrowers.

600 books were circulated through the schools of Hempstead county. The library statistics for the month of October 1941 of the Hope-Hempstead county library show that 654 books and periodicals were circulated to 4298 registered borrowers. 99 reference questions were answered and there were 19 publicity items.

The bookstock at the end of the month showed 6702 volumes.

## An Auto Ought to Help Itself

BRADENTON, Fla. —(AP)—Speaking of cars that do everything but drive themselves one that caught fire here turned in its own alarm. A blaze under the hood burned the insulation off the wiring and the short circuit caused the horn to set up a continuous blast. The fire was extinguished before the car was seriously damaged.

Long Term James Wilson of Iowa set the record for U. S. cabinet tenure, serving as secretary of agriculture for 16 years, under William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, and William Howard Taft.

## Roosevelt in Armistice Day Talk to Nation

Little Observance in Hope as Business Goes on as Usual

By the Associated Press President Roosevelt declared Tuesday that it was "the American duty to those who died for freedom to make the world a place where freedom can live and grow into the ages."

He spoke as the United States alone of all allied and associate powers of the World War observed the 1918 Armistice ceremony.

Speaking from the Arlington amphitheater the President declared that the "American people believe liberty is worth fighting for and if they are obliged to fight, will fight to hold it."

A few minutes earlier he had stood at attention while an aide placed a wreath against the tomb of an unknown soldier who was brought to America following the World War.

Why Liberty Worth Defending

"Those who gave up their lives in 1917-18 literally did so to make the world safe for democracy and to make it habitable for decent and self-respecting men."

Armistice day was just another day of work for Britain and most of the German occupied countries where once the powers, victorious observed the occasion with great pomp. There was business as usual for part of official Washington. The Office of Production Management, which supplies Britain and Russia with defense materials and products, ask its staff to appear voluntarily at their desks.

Britain, anxious not to lose a single day in production of vital war materials, observed the 23rd Armistice on Sunday.

The Germans themselves who regard November 11 as a day of degradation, forbade, under threatened punishment, any demonstration in areas under their control.

Little Celebration Here

In Hope the Armistice celebration was just another day with stores and public offices remaining open. The Hope public school system, however, dismissed for the day.

The principal observance here was a countywide meeting of the Hempstead county defense council at the courthouse with Dr. Matt Ellis, president of Henderson State Teachers College, as the principal speaker.

The meeting was the first in a series in connection with President Roosevelt's proclamation declaring November 11 through 14 National Defense Week. During the meeting plans were discussed with county chairmen to open a drive here Saturday to solicit funds to carry out a health program in Hempstead county.

The High School Band played a short concert.

Dr. J. G. Martindale is chairman of the county health organization. T. S. Cornelius, commander of the local American Legion Post, and other legionnaires journeyed to Texarkana Tuesday to take part in an Armistice Day Program in that city.

At the Southwest Proving Ground the entire Ordnance department took the day off and about one-third of the personnel of Construction Quartermasters department were given holiday. None of the employees of the W. E. Callahan Construction Co. observed Armistice Day.

Hope factories and industries did not close down but whistles from each of the plants were sounded for one minute at 11 o'clock.

All in all Armistice Day in Hope was just another day.

## Swiss Snowflakes Pick Their Own Seas

BERN, Switzerland —(AP)—Swiss Alps snow, when it melts, depending upon where it lies, finds its way into one of three widely-separated seas.

But there is one spot in the Canton of Grisons where one can empty a glass of water and choose his sea. One slope carries it to Lake Longhorn and ultimately to the Black sea, another to the Rhine and finally the North sea, while the third route, over a mountain slope and into the Marz valley, follows the Rhine into the Mediterranean.

## Barefoot Boys

NORFOLK, Va. —(AP)—A "barefoot contest" started during depression days is still going strong at the Ocean View school. Miss Lucy Mason Holt, principal, reports that the contest has a devoted following every year among the students who strive to see who can go the longest without shoes before yielding to King Winter. The record so far is December 12.

Music is now being used in defense plants to speed production.

## Armistice Day-----1941



The eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month brings forth at the "West Point of the Air" at Randolph Field, Texas, the same solemn, simple tribute that the entire nation pays to its fallen heroes. A 75 mm gun of World War I stands mute as the national colors hang at half mast and an Aviation Cadet bugler sounds taps . . . A salute from the future guardians of our ramparts in the skies. . .

## French to Give Up Possession

Minister Says Jibuti to Surrender to British

VICHY —(AP)—Colonial Secretary Rene Platon returned to Vichy by plane Tuesday from a trip to Jibuti and said France had decided to blow up railway and harbor works at the Somaliland port before surrendering to the British.

He failed to indicate when the surrender would take place. Only Monday the representative of the colonial ministry said surrender of Jibuti was imminent because it was subjected to a tight British blockade and impossible to hold when there was nothing to eat.

## Good Accident Record at SPG

Safety Department Discloses Statistics on Job

Forging well on the way to the three million man-hours mark, with a record behind them of no fatal accidents, workmen at the Southwest Proving Ground have established a precedent that all others engaged in construction work might well note. A record such as is being set here does not "just happen," but is the result of a well ordered and administered plan for accident prevention combined with the faithful and intelligent cooperation of every employee on the job, a study of safety department statistics discloses.

With the knowledge that under normal conditions the accident cost to the construction industry in the United States exceeds \$380,000,000 annually, the Safety Officer, and the safety engineer, with their able corps of assistants are taking every step known to the science of accident prevention to keep injuries at a minimum.

Based on the known truth that safety

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## Serbs Attack Axis Soldiers

24 Injured in Latest Yugoslavia Uprising

ROME —(AP)—More than 24 Italian soldiers were wounded, one fatally, and 25 civilians injured Tuesday in sudden bomb and machine gun attacks by guerrillas at Spalato, in the Dalmatian area of conquered Yugoslavia, and 150 hostages were said to have been arrested.

Three bombs were hurled into the midst of a column of military bandmen of an Alpine division, preparing to lower colors, and resulting in 49 casualties. In another attack at almost the same time a hidden machine gun opened fire on a truck loaded with soldiers on leave.

(German, Italian and Croat troops all have had difficulties with Serb guerrillas who struck at military units and communication lines despite reported executions of hundreds.)

The communiqué described the 150 hostages as Communists.

## Bulgarian Peasants Are Given Farms

SOFIA —(AP)—Landless Bulgarian peasants and poor farmers have profited from the restoration of Dobrudja to Bulgaria—some of them at the cost of former Jewish landowners.

Some 15,000 Bulgarian immigrants from northern Dobrudja have been settled in the southern part of the area, where they have been given 316,000 acres of land and 13,680 dwellings. Another 160,000 acres were distributed to 7,000 landless peasants and 13,960 farmers who did not have enough land. The ministry of agriculture decided to buy ten thousand acres of farmland belonging to Jews.

## Boom Causes Bank to Close

JOHNSVILLE, Ill. —(AP)—Despite an oil boom and lots of money in its vaults, the State Bank had to close. A new oil field, usually means good business for everybody, but nobody wants to borrow money in Johnsville any more, and the bank had no income to meet its own expenses.

## Merchants Plan Xmas Fireworks

Free Show, Cotton Christmas Also Approved

Hope merchants in a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce offices in the city hall Monday night voted unanimously to again sponsor a fireworks program during the Christmas holidays. The fireworks program was set for December 11.

The group also voted to subscribe funds to replace the Christmas lights in the downtown area. This is expected to run about \$100 and other activities planned will cost the merchants approximately \$300.

As in past years all school children in Hempstead county and surrounding trade territory will be admitted to a free picture show at the Saenger theater. This is made possible also by Hope merchants through co-operation of the Malco Co.

At the free show last year more than 5,000 school children witnessed the picture. Many had never seen a show before.

The merchants agreed also to have a cotton Christmas. Cotton goods will be given prominence in displays and customers urged to purchase cotton products for gifts.

Twelve merchants attended the meeting.

## Cranium Crackers

V for Victory, Etc. V for Victory has become one of the world's most famous slogans, but the 22nd letter of the alphabet has headed many other important names and words. How many of the following can you identify, each beginning with the letter V?

1. A U. S. president, an English queen, an Italian king.

2. A U. S. state, a U. S. island possession, a South American country.

3. A French author, an Italian composer, a 16th century Italian explorer.

4. A well-known crooner, a late screen romantic idol, a U. S. family that won riches in railroads.

5. Roman goddess of beauty; mythological Scandinavian heroes' heaven.

Answers on Comic Page

## Troops Taken Are Exhausted Russians Claim

All Sectors Appear Holding; Tell of Germans Killing Own Troops

By the Associated Press Official Soviet dispatches reported Tuesday that large German forces had been trapped near Volokolamsk, 65 miles northwest of Moscow and that Nazi prisoners captured in the 40-day old battle on the central front now appeared exhausted.

In the Crimea bulletin from German field headquarters the high command said that German and Rumanian troops were continuing to advance on Sevastopol and the port of Kerch, gateway to the Caucasus.

Details of new gains were not given. Previous reports placed the Germans about 20 miles from Sevastopol and slightly farther away from Kerch with the Russians defending at both points.

Tactics Used on Reds

Besides the contingent reported trapped—victims of the same encirclement tactics exploited against Red army troops—the Russians said a major Soviet counter attack was launched in the Serpukhov sector, 65 miles south of Moscow against German panzer units attempts to break through the defense arc.

Reuters, British news agency, declared that German forces trying to cross the river Oka there were annihilated.

Violent all-night fighting was also reported in the Tula sector, 70 miles south of the USSR capital with Soviet troops holding ground against Nazi tank assaults.

Nazis Kill Own Troops

In a side phase of the bloody Russo-German struggle a Norwegian telegraph reported from London that hundreds of German soldiers were blown to pieces when Nazi torpedo boats, hunting down a submarine which sunk two German transports off the coast of Norway, dropped depth charges among troops in waters. The agency said that fewer than 200 of 3,000 troops aboard the liners were rescued by Norwegian ships which reached the scene.

"German torpedo boats which were conveying the ships dashed full speed among the drowning soldiers, dropping depth charges attacking submarines. Hundreds of German soldiers were literally blown to pieces," the report said.

Defenders of Leningrad were reported holding fast against 60,000 fresh German troops striking from the Karelian territory, which was captured by the Finns.

Adolf Hitler's high command asserted that the German and Finnish troops had destroyed a large part of a Soviet division taking 1,200 prisoners and destroying many pill boxes.

## Dr. Matt Ellis Speaks Here

Henderson President Addresses Kiwanis Club

Condemning strikes in National Defense, and emphasizing the need of defense, Dr. Matt Ellis, president of Henderson State Teachers College, told the Hope Kiwanis Club Tuesday at Hotel Henry, "Now is no time for every man to be at his best for his country."

Dr. Ellis told the Kiwanians that he did not subscribe to the idea that the men who gave their lives in the last war to make the world safe for democracy died in vain. The speaker said that he felt the way to celebrate Armistice day now is to work earnestly to build a national defense. He emphasized the need of Civilian Defense, saying, "We who live in the interior of this country, probably do not realize the seriousness of the moment as do those living on the east coast."

In a program arranged by Senator Pilkinton, Dr. Ellis was introduced by the senator as an outstanding leader of thought in the state. Calling upon the country for a united front, the speaker said while he believed in the principle of the right to strike, that in this emergency we must show to the world a united front.

Introduced to the club as a new member was Talbot Feild, Jr. Other guests were W. M. Sparks, and Mr. Reynolds of the State Employment Service.

## A Thought

When the first just and friendly man appeared on the earth, from that day a fatal Waterloo was visible for all the men of pride and fraud and blood.—Charles Fletcher Dole.



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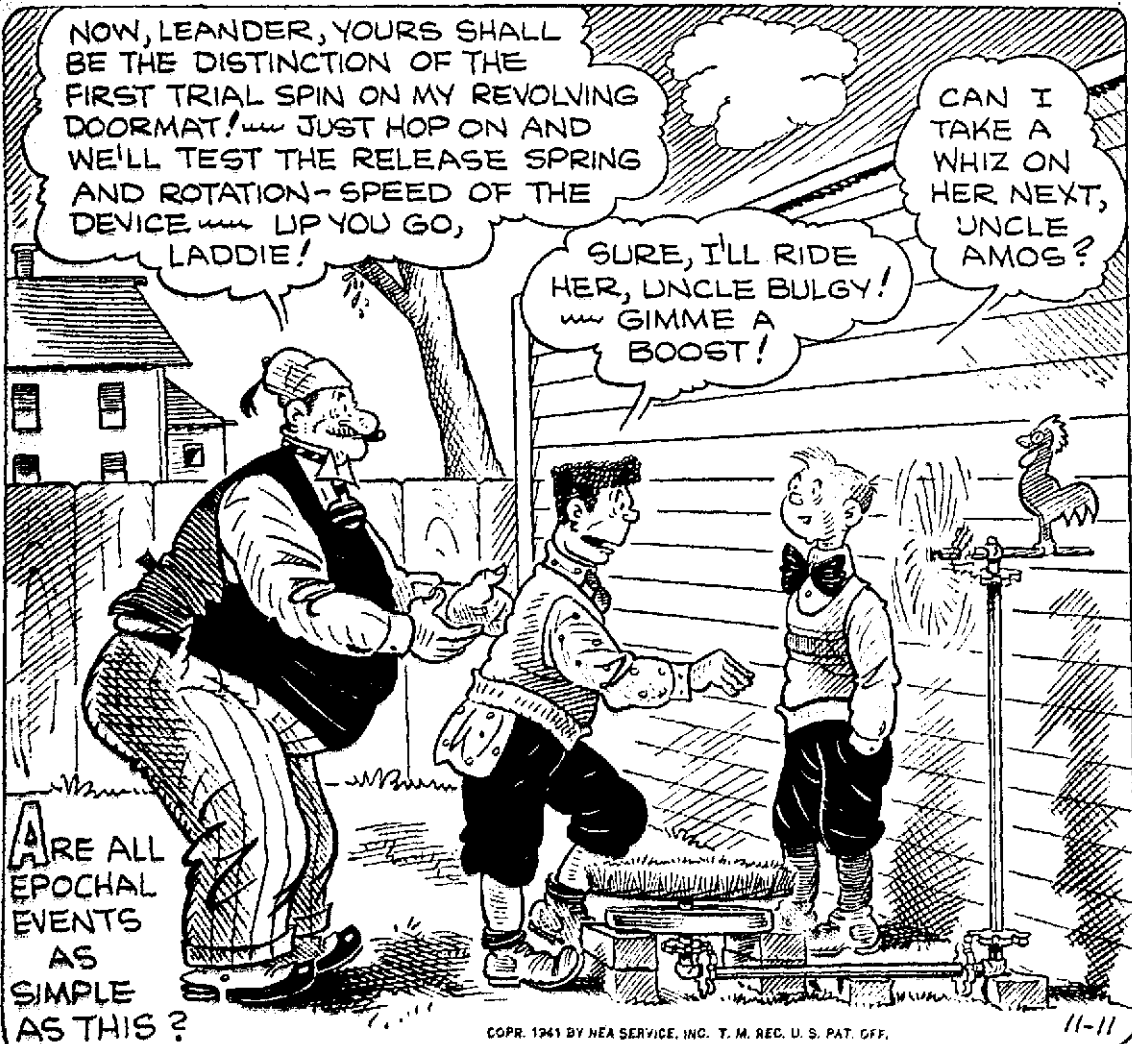
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lot of trouble, but really I have some nice teeth.

Ova Lee Jones last Thursday, as she was leaving school, fell and threw her arm out of place. It is giving her some pain.

## First the Doctor Now the Wolf

**NEW YORK—(AP)—**The original version of the "apple a day" rhyme was "ate an apple a day to bed, makes the doctor beg his bread." This year, to help farmers in 36 states keep the wolf from the door, food stores are putting on a nation-wide campaign to move more than 125,000,000 bushels, a crop 11 per cent greater than last year.

## Barbs

Just driving around in the fall makes us feel sorry for the man without a country.

Uncle Sam has ordered twenty carloads of sauerkraut for the army camps. To go with the ribs they've been getting?

"Soapmakers' Pay Raised"—headline. That's a nice way of coming clean.

In Boston an innkeeper's wine blew up. The drinks were on the house.

We doubt if women's trousers last as long as men's—the way they go through pockets.

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## Answer to Cranum Crackers

Questions on Page One  
1. Martin Van Buren, U. S. president; Queen Victoria of England; King Victor Emmanuel of Italy.

2. Vermont or Virginia; Virgin Islands; Venezuela.

3. Voltaire or Jules Verne, French authors; Giuseppe Verdi, Italian composer; Amerigo Vespucci, Italian explorer.

4. Rudy Vallee, crooner; Rudolph Valentino, screen idol; the Vanderbilts, railway magnates.

5. Venus is a Roman goddess of beauty; Valhalla is the heaven of Scandinavian heroes.

## Rye Bread

Choice Crumbs From the 'Locals' of Arkansas Papers  
By GRAHAM CRACKERS

Carl Scott's fine mare is almost dead and no one seems to know what is the matter with her. She is fat as she can be, but she seems to be paralyzed.

I got my teeth Friday. They are a

## WASH TUBBS

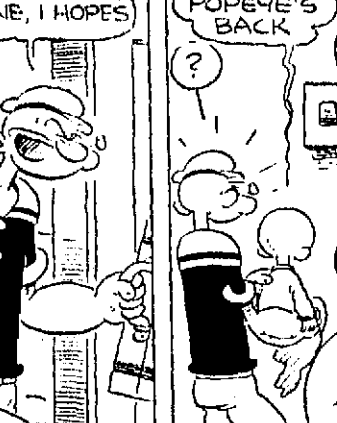
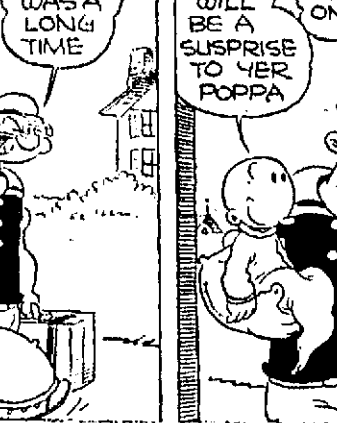
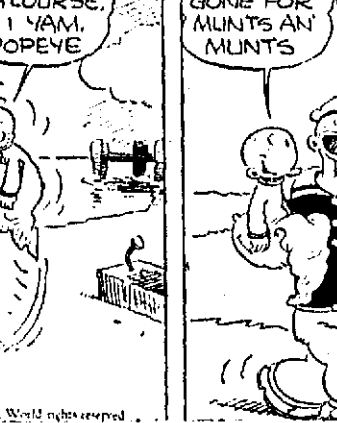
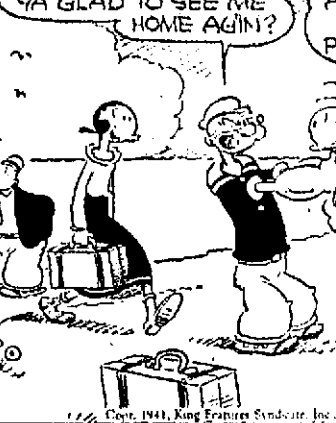
BRIDGE CLUB.



## By Roy Crane

## POPEYE

The Prodigal Son



## Thimble Theater

I SUSPOSE YA WANTS ME TO KISS YE?



## DONALD DUCK

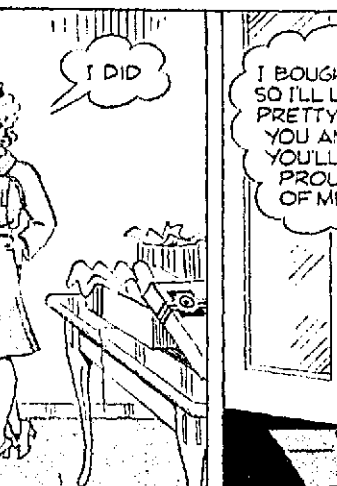
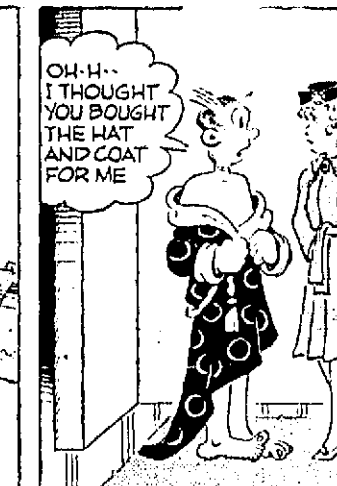
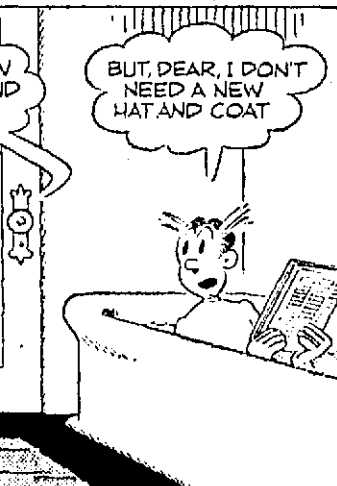
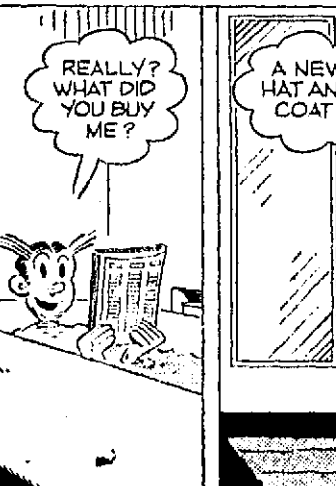
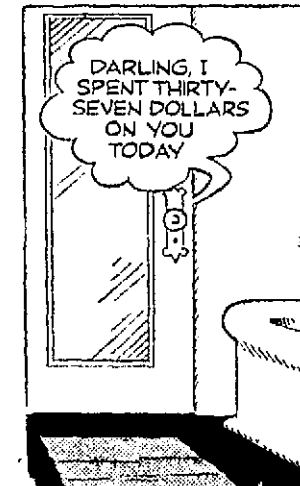
Experience Is the Best Teacher



## By Walt Disney

## BLONDIE

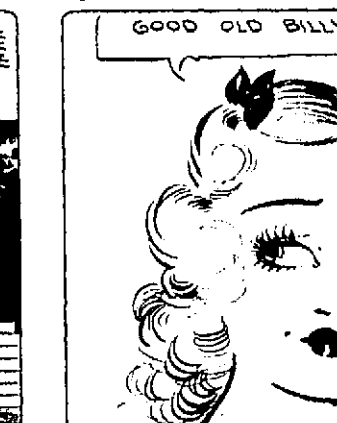
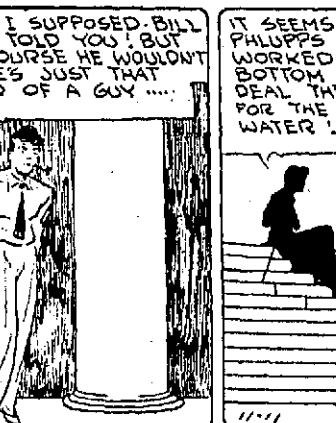
With Only His Pride in His Pocket!



## By Chic Young

## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

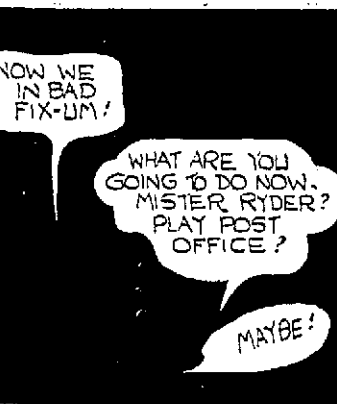
Still Not Right



## By Edgar Martin

## RED RYDER

Lights Out



## By Fred Harman

## ALLEY OOP

Have a Seat, Baron



## By V. T. Hamlin

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Mixed Signals



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## Social Calendar

**Tuesday, November 11th**  
The Euzelian class of the First Baptist Sunday School will have their regular monthly business and social meeting at the home of Mrs. Olin Lewis, West Avenue E. at 7:45 o'clock. Mrs. Ray Luck and Mrs. Herbert Arnold will be associate hostesses.

**Tuesday Contract Bridge club**, home of Mrs. Roy Allison, 3:30 o'clock.

The Business and Professional Women's club will have their regular dinner meeting in the private dining room of the Hotel Henry, 7 o'clock. Mrs. S. B. Henry will speak on "International Relations."

Iris Garden club meeting at the home of Mrs. M. M. McCloughan, 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Earl O'Neal will be co-hostess.

Girl Scout Troop No. 2 will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Walker immediately after school. Misses Pat Ellen and Helen Marie Franklin, hostesses.

**Wednesday, November 12th**  
Paisley P. T. A. will meet at the school at 3 o'clock. All members and prospective members are urged to attend.

The November meeting of the John Cain chapter of the D. A. R. will be held at the Presbyterian church at 12:45 with Mrs. Wilbur Jones, Mrs. Charles Locke, Miss Mary Carrigan, and Miss Mamie Twitcheil, hostesses. Captain J. O. Baker will speak on "National Defense."

The Girls' Cotillion club will meet at the home of Miss Josephine Morris, 7 o'clock.

Brookwood P. T. A. will meet at the school at 3 o'clock. Mrs. A. C. Kolb will speak. A large attendance is urged.

**Thursday, November 13th**  
R. E. Jackson, vocational agriculture instructor at Hope High school, will speak on preparing "Youth for His Job" at the November meeting of the Junior-Senior P. T. A. in the high school auditorium at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The address will be especially interesting to the mothers of boys, a member of the program committee stated; however all mothers are urged to attend.

## Announcements

There will be a meeting of the State Membership committee of the American Legion Auxiliary in Little Rock on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. Any member of the local auxiliary desiring transportation is asked to call Mrs. R. C. Ellen (615).

**Committees Appointed at Meeting of Rose Garden Club**  
Mrs. Cecil Weaver and Mrs. J. C. Carlson were hostesses to the members of the Rose Garden club Friday afternoon at the home of the corner.

Twelve members were present to hear the interesting program presented by Mrs. J. L. Rogers. Those participating were Mrs. W. B. Mason, Mrs. Cecil Weaver, Mrs. H. O. Kyles, Mrs. W. C. Andres, and Mrs. J. C. Carlson.

Members of the standing committees for the new club year were read by W. M. Cantley, vice-president of

## Floyd Odum Comes to Bat

### Trying to Give Little Business Part of Defense

the club.  
During the social hour the hostesses served delightful refreshments.

**Bushong-Carpenter**  
Mrs. W. B. Carpenter of Shreveport, La., announces the marriage of her daughter, Ethel, William S. Bushong of Morgantown, West Virginia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bushong of Fort Smith, Arkansas.

The marriage was solemnized at the Church of Christ in Shreveport on November 5 at 3 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Budd of Shreveport were the only attendants.

The bride was becomingly gowned in a dress of blue crepe with blending accessories. She wore a single orchid.

After an Eastern tour the couple will be at home in Morgantown.

### New Members Added to Baptist Circle

The Business Women's Circle of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist church met Monday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. J. E. Sandlin with Mrs. Hervey Holt as joint hostess.

Mrs. Henry Haynes, leader of the program, presented a very interesting program on "An Urgent Gospel Dismisses Heathen Darkness."

Twelve active members were present, and two new members, Miss Zella Cooper and Mrs. Herbert Elliot, were welcomed into the circle. Four visitors attended.

The hostesses served delicious refreshments at the close of the meeting.

## Personal Mention

Mrs. G. B. Morris and daughter, Miss Josephine Morris, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Graves in Texarkana.

Mrs. Terry Feild of Little Rock and June Feild and Charlene Feild of Monticello A. and M. were overnight guests of Mrs. J. T. West and Miss Hattie Anne Feild, Sunday.

Miss Katherine Hesterly visited friends in Texarkana during the weekend.

Among the out-of-town relatives attending the funeral of Mrs. J. E. Salisbury were her two grandsons, Homer Salisbury of Arroyo and Ed Salisbury of Maxfield Field, Alabama, the latter making the trip by plane.

Mrs. J. M. Burns has arrived from Idabel, Oklahoma to attend the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. J. O. Milam, who is a patient in the Julia Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Parker announce the arrival of a little son on Monday, November 10th. He has been named Donald Glen Parker.

## Mind Your Manners

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below.

1. If a girl has known a young man for a long time, but never dated him, would it be all right for her to write him a letter at an Army camp?

2. Is it bad manners for a man who has a guest to glance over his bill at a restaurant table before paying it?

3. When a husband and wife go into a restaurant, does he or she tell the headwaiter their preference in tables?

4. Is it all right for a man to take out a pocket comb in public and run it through his hair?

5. Should guests stopping at a hotel chatter as they walk down the hall if they return to their rooms late at night?

What would you do if—  
You sit down in the public room of a hotel, the floor of which is handsomely carpeted and start to smoke a cigarette, only to find that there is no ashtray by your chair?

(a) Move to another chair where there is an ashtray handy?  
(b) Ask a bellhop to bring you an ashtray?

(c) Use the floor for an ashtray?

### Answers

1. Certainly.  
2. No.  
3. He does.  
4. No.  
5. No. They should try not to disturb any guests who might be sleeping.  
Best "What Would You Do" solutions—either (a) or (b).

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## Edson in Washington

### Strike Threatens Long-Distance Callers

WASHINGTON — The wage dispute between the Federation of Long Lines Telephone Workers and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company may or may not be settled before the threatened strike deadline of November 14, but regardless of the outcome the potentialities of this scrap are so far-reaching they make an interesting case history to show how complicated one of these national labor rows can be. Incidentally, it will be well to bear in mind how many-sided these labor troubles are since the country is apparently in for a wave of such things during the winter.

There is no doubt about what this threatened telephone strike would do to the nation's system of communications. Local communications would not be immediately disturbed, but long distance calls, news services, ticker services, telephoto transmission

### By J. R. Williams

bers belong to the Federation of Long Lines Telephone Workers. FLL TW is an independent union, neither A. F. of L. nor C. I. O. It's only affiliation with other unions is through the 5-year-old National Federation of Telephone Workers which is made up of 37 independent unions, all autonomous. Total membership of the unions is about 150,000; of these 130,000 are Bell employees. The 37 unions in the national federation are large, geographically unions, corresponding roughly to territorial divisions of the employing companies.

Particularly since 1929 when the Bell System made an elaborate statement of policies, A. T. & T. has made much of its aim "to pay salaries and wages in all respects adequate and just." It has emphasized that its average wage in 1940 was \$37 a week, while in 1925 the figure was \$26 a week. An elaborate pension system has been set up, as well as a system of automatic advancements to carefully scaled maximums for every class of work. In the words of the Bell management, "the company has always maintained that its wage policy was the best that it has been able to develop to date. That policy has, however, included some geographical differences in wage scales.

More than a year ago, the long lines workers presented demands for flat increases. The case was presented to the Department of Labor for study. Pending investigation, negotiations were suspended. A few months ago the study was completed and negotiations were resumed under the guidance of a panel of three members of Dr. John R. Steelman's Conciliation Service.

The union set its demands for a 4 per cent wage increase and reduction of regional wage differentials. The company contends that the increases asked range from 9 to 40 per cent for operators' top rates of from \$27 to \$34 a week. Further, the company contends it has already made cumulative counter-offers of increases which with increases already made during the year amount to \$2 million or 9 per cent of the wages of the employees represented by the long lines federation.

Some Question Here  
On top of this complicated wage dispute, however, has come a demand from the long lines federation of officers that this case be certified immediately to the National Defense Mediation Board, or else the strike would be called. But there is a question as to whether NDMB is eligible to mediate in a dispute of this kind, since the order creating the board limits its activities to disputes over the manufacture and transport of materials necessary for defense. Is long distance telephone service a device for the manufacture or transport of materials necessary for defense? That's one for the lawyers.

Men long experienced in labor relations see in this demand curious manifestation of the independent union psychology. Independent union leaders like to emphasize their independence, like to show what tough bargainers they are. The job of strike prevention, therefore, has been to get the case settled before the deadline, or drop insistence on Mediation Board action.

## Our Daily Bread

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fiets to suit Nazi theories.  
Once the German theater taught the world, today it only holds up the mirror to Nazidom. There was a time when German literature, even in translations, loaded the bookshelves. "Verboten" today are men like Erich Remarque of "All Quiet on the Western Front," Arnold Zweig of that war masterpiece, "The Case of Sergeant Grischka," and the great brothers, Thomas and Heinrich Mann, with their masterly novels.

The Nazi regime has found none among its followers worthy to untie the shoelaces of the authors who made 20th century German literature world famous. Those authors are no longer considered German. They have given a great legacy to the world, but they are disinherited by the land of their birth. It is a sad and sorry tale. It has its moral as all tales have.

Science and the arts—fine flower of real civilization—flourish best in the warming sunshine of freedom. They wither in the dark cellar of tyranny.

## Good Accident

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ven out of every ten accidents are preventable but that only two out of the seven are preventable by mechanical safeguards, the greatest effort is being made to create among the workers a safety-consciousness. In the care and intelligence of the individual workers lies the means of preventing fully half the mishaps common to industrial occupations.

Through a schedule of first-aid lectures and safety meetings held for employees at regular intervals, the fundamentals of care of the injured are taught. The value of such training was recently demonstrated when a fracture case was treated in the field by a fellow worker resulting in the avoidance of much needless suffering and the material lessening of chances of an injury aggravated by proper initial care.

In these meetings various rules of safety, found from experience on countless jobs to be sound, are impressed as forcibly as possible upon the workers. For example, in the handling of oxygen tanks, a few simple safety measures may easily avert serious injury or death. All employees concerned with the storage or handling of such tanks are admonished to keep all oil or grease away from oxygen, for such a mixture is explosive. No tanks are ever removed from storage unless to be put into actual use. In storing, all tanks must be put away from exposure to heat of stoves, radiators, and the direct rays of the sun to prevent the heat from expanding the gas and thereby raising the internal pressure of the tank to a dangerous level. Open flames should never be used in the same building where oxygen tanks are stored. Such is a typical example of the precautions prescribed for this one function.

As in the example cited above, precautions are described relating to all other phases of the work to be prosecuted, such as operation of ditching machines, hoists and derricks, handling of electrical installations, and, in short every major function which the employee is to be called upon to perform.

Not content to wait for the re-

out on strike in a few places. The 37 independent telephone unions in the national federation have an agreement not to cross each others' picket lines. Interpreting that broadly, it means that no employee will do the work of an employee on strike. Calling out a few men could, therefore, easily disrupt the entire system of long distance communication.

porting of infraction of the rules of safety, the administrators of the department are constantly sending men into the field to report any laxity of observance, and to report any alterations of methods of work which would tend to further promote safety of working conditions.

Placed at strategic points, where the worker's attention is called to safety as he goes on the job every day, are bold faced signs depicting the hazards of carelessness.

No two jobs present exactly the same safety problems, but a careful application by the safety department of the knowledge gleaned over a period, years of study of industrial accidents, their causes and prevention, will, it is hoped, bring the Proving Ground to completion with not a single accidental death.

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# U.S. Ship Sinkings Entry Into War Now Would Aid Adolf for Year

MORGAN M. BEATTY  
Feature Service Writer  
WASHINGTON—To Americans, the floor of the North Atlantic is a vast, empty space. But to Adolf Hitler and his fanatical followers, it is a living, breathing entity of immense strategic value in the life of the world.

The principal value of the sinking of the liner is the possibility—conceded on all sides—that it brings us closer to a declaration of war on our part. It would help Hitler now. It should help him next spring. It should help him more than any strategy he could bly plan and carry out himself. A declaration of war would impose on the United States the duty of conserving all defense materials for the use of our own naval and military forces. It means the President might have to put out lend-lease aid to the British, the Chinese and the Russians. He failed to do this he would be taking dangerous risks. Suppose, for instance, that we should declare war. Our forces should suffer reverses. They would go up that we had sent weapons to other nations, and left our own men helpless against the enemy. Whether the charge would be true is beside the point. Consider also the fact that most military observers are leaning to the belief that Hitler cannot annihilate the Russian armies this winter. He'll have to carry on until spring, and then try to deliver the coup de grace he supposedly held poised a few weeks ago when he told the world the Russian fleet were whipped. Joseph Goebbels, the German propaganda chief, is out of the strategists. He has officially notified the German people they can expect another tough winter. The United States should declare war on Hitler at this time, and lend-lease aid should be shut off, the very thing in the arm the Russians need for next spring might be denied them. Hitler would then still have a tremendous advantage when action starts after the thaw.

But there is another strategic reason why the Reuben James becomes a live issue in Hitler's hands. The sinking of the destroyer means the United States Navy chiefs are tightening up our forces protecting our convoys to Iceland. They must keep intact the fleet they have in the Atlantic. They might be tempted to withdraw ships from the Pacific.

If we lower the strength of our Pacific fleet, the Japanese might be encouraged to strike a blow at Russia's rear. Vladivostok is their best prize. It's a knife pointed at Tokyo. If the Japanese should strike at it, we would have a two-front war on our hands—with only

a one-ocean navy to fight it. Doubtless a declaration of war by the United States at this time would have—from the standpoint of our defense effort—some advantages. A people at war are usually a united people. Strikes, discord, debate are usually forgotten. Whatever the course ahead, the majority usually follows that course to the bitter end. But that's another matter, a domestic matter for the President and the Congress to decide. They will have to weigh both advantages and disadvantages—and decide also what the American public wants to do at this moment.

## We, the Women

Here Are Some Very Sure Ways NOT to Get That New Job!

By RUTH MILLETT  
No matter what kind of job you are trying to get, there is one rule to remember. If you want the job. ACT like you want it.

That rule sounds almost too obvious to mention, yet it isn't at all unusual for a girl who really wants a certain job to give the impression of not caring whether she gets it or not. She does so by making one of the following mistakes:

Saying to a prospective employer over the telephone, when he names 10 o'clock as a time for an interview, "Couldn't I come at such-and-such a time instead; I had planned to do so-and-so at ten." Then she names some personal errand that sounds trivial to the employer.

Arriving late for the interview or for the first day's work. Showing considerably less interest in the job than in trying to find out just how hard the job is going to be.

Taking a "What have you got to offer me?" attitude instead of a "This is what I can offer you" approach. Bragging of a job offer she recently turned down because the prospective employer expected entirely too much work for what he was willing to pay. That is bound to irritate another employer, who naturally sees the situation from an employer's point of view.

Saying, "I guess I could" instead of "Yes, I could" to the question, "Could you start to work next Monday?"

Let Employer End Interview. Attempting to end the interview. Instead of waiting for the employer to give the signal that it is over.

Asking what time it is when the interview is finished, thereby giving the employer the idea there are other things more important in her life than landing a job.

Forgetting to thank the employer for granting her an interview.

Any one of these mistakes is enough to make an employer think, "I guess she doesn't want this job very badly. And there are several other girls who o."

# As Rice Defeated Arkansas 21 to 12



AS RICE STARTED VICTORY MARCH AGAINST A KANSAS—Elliott (41) of Rice takes a 22-yard pass in opening minutes of the game with Arkansas at Houston, Tex., and scampers across the goal for his team's first touchdown of the day. By the end of the game Rice had piled up 21 points to its opponents 12.



TEXAS A&M DOWNED SMU—Durance Moser, Texas A & M back is brought down by a struggle by SMU players as he returns a punt 15 yards in first quarter of game played at College Station, Tex. By a score of 21 to 10 the Aggies downed Southern Methodist.

## Oliver Writes From Alaska

Some Amazing Prices Confront Hope's Guardsmen

By SERGEANT R. (Pete) OLIVER  
October 23, 1941

At last we have reached Alaska, the last frontier. Riding the high seas, aboard an army transport for eight days fixed quite a few of our fighting men with a good dose of seasickness. Then land! Only to have the worst storm in years delay the unloading of the boat for five more days. Barges pulling lighters (only means of unloading the boats) carried the men to shore. Mud knee deep didn't slow the movement at all. Waiting trucks carried the men to their new homes. But the "new homes" were yet to be completed. So, like a true American soldier, he put down his rifle and grabbed a hammer and nail. Now our homes are nearly completed. Mud and rain; snow and ice; has tried to slow the work down but we are going through.

Our biggest disappointment is our mail service (it isn't) will explain the delays in our mail) Mondays and Fridays are our mail days. The mail carrier is an airplane and his boss is the weather man, so bad weather no mail comes in or goes out. At this time we are two mail days behind. If the good weather we have now holds out long enough maybe we will get our

mail and in turn the folks at home will receive theirs. To the folks at home "Don't worry if you do not receive any mail from your boy in Alaska as he is not receiving any from you either.

Sundays are spent taking tours around camp and in the mountains. Already we have had snow ball fights and have seen several herds of reindeer in the nearby mountains. Hunting is a front line sport but all the shooting is done with cameras.

Our soldier's wages seem small compared with the dollar and hour wages some of the boys have been lucky enough to get working in a down town warehouse. But on top up town and we are convinced that a dollar an hour doesn't go far here. For example hamburgers are 25c, oh for a good time hamburger. Picture shows are from 55c to 75c and we have them last year. Coca Cola in the bottle are unheard of (note Mr. Hollamon), fountain "cokes" 15c to 25c (note Mr. Louie), haircuts 1 buck ect.

The town is made up of white people, halfbreeds and natives, plenty of Alaskan dogs, two horses and one cow. The last boat leaves here soon. The next boat we will see will be in June 1942. The Bering Sea already is filling with floating ice drifting down from Pt. Barrow which is only 300 miles away. A few more weeks and the sea will be frozen over with ice. Now the temperature is only 12

degrees above, but we are waiting for it to drop and soon.

Hope this has answered a few questions. And I would like to ask a great big favor of the Hope Star, if I may. We are in a bind of some good news papers. The only way possible for us to get any papers at all and get them up to date is by air mail. May we?

We all send our love. P. S. — Hot water is a luxury so our baths are not as frequent as we would like. But our moral is high as the heavens, even though we are losing out at home, if you get what we mean.

A. P. S. Three cheers for the good old "Bobcats."

Editor's Note: Ten copies of Hope Star have gone out to Company "A", Hempstead county's National Guard company, every day the boys have been gone from home. The matter of airmailing those copies which go to Alaska instead of Seattle, Wash., will be looked into, although the customary cost of airmail makes it prohibitive for bulky items like newspapers on a daily basis. Oliver's letter posted October 23 by airmail reached Hope November 9, real speed for Alaskan mail service.

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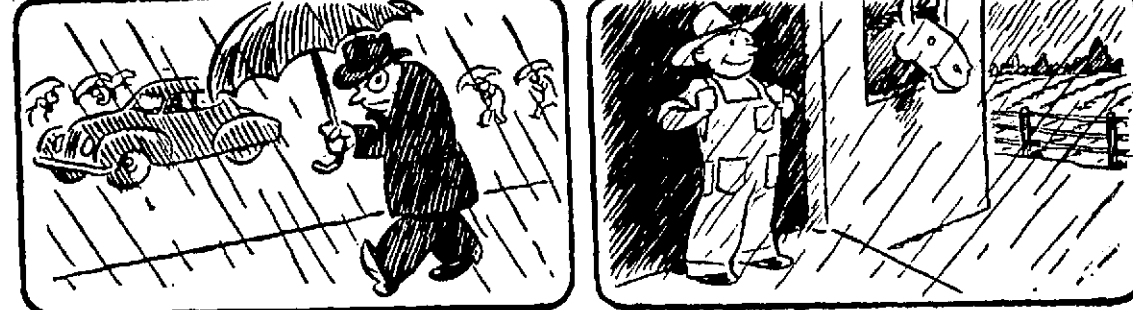
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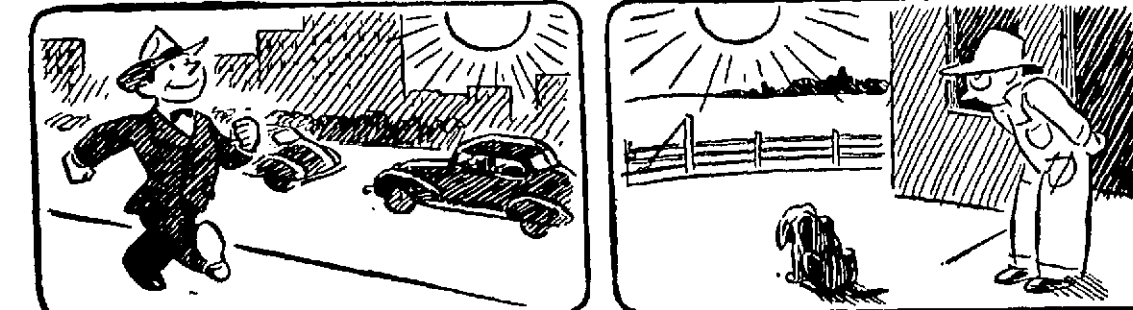
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## FACT



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## OPINION



Suppose the weather experts predict fair weather tomorrow. That is OPINION. Not fact. But you want opinions, as well as facts. Or suppose some scientist PREDICTS that chemistry will replace farming and we'll take pills instead of eating beefsteak. That is HIS OPINION; right or wrong, you are entitled to hear it. The editor has opinions—everyone who *thinks* does—and everyone in America has the right and perhaps the duty to express sincere opinions and beliefs. Your newspaper is pretty careful to tell you the WHO, the WHERE and the WHY of the opinions it prints.

## ACTION



Every American newspaper is simply PACKED with the doings of people who have put fact and opinion into action. All that America—or any democracy—asks is that PERSUASION be used, not FORCE, to back up fact and opinion.

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In a democracy every man has a right to his own beliefs—and a right to convince others, if he can, by lawful and peaceful means, to agree with him. So our newspapers arm us FIRST with many facts, SECOND with a variety of opinions. Upon these facts and opinions are based the actions of many groups, sects, political parties, merchants and manufacturers, as well as individuals.

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## The 'Cat' Was Carrying a Gun

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## FOR THE LOVE OF PETE!

By BURTON BENJAMIN

THE STORY: Team captain George Landers, State coach Dinty Dugan and Anne Humphreys wonder at star footballer Pete Laird's strange behavior. For the second time in a few days he stands up Anne, his college sweetheart, and seems to be infatuated with Hollywood star Stephanie Stevens. Pete drops out of sight for 25 hours, and George, accurately guessing that he is with Stephanie, finally declares to Anne the love he has had for her during the years he has been Pete's best friend. Both feel—downs. Pete's head turned by Stephanie's attentions and compliments, does not realize she has attached herself to him purely for his publicity value.

## DUGAN HOLDS HIS TEMPER

CHAPTER VII  
PETE LAIRD'S flight to the west jolted the serenity of University Town at noon Wednesday. Metropolitan papers hit the streets and shrieked the flamboyant story of his exodus. Pithily brief was the yarn. Just a picture: Scene—Chicago railroad station, Pete and Stephanie in close embrace front and center. Pose—admirable, her feet off the ground, both arms clasped around his neck. Details—terse but pointed.

## BROTHER, DOES STATE HAVE A FOOTBALL TEAM!

Lack-a-day and ho-hum! What is this nonsense called football practice? Teams like State don't waste their time with such details. Proof? Here's Pete Laird, State's All-American must-order, interrupting a hectic week with a brief Chicago sojourn. He arrived Tuesday night. Sharing the clench is Stephanie Stevens, Hollywood wow. "What's that guy doing?" complained the freshman with the handkerchief bow tie, "Selling the team short?" "Quiet, small change," laughed the tweedy senior puffing his pipe. "Where would you be if an item like that Stevens took a shine to you?" No such banter invaded the sanctum of Lawrence "Dinty" Dugan, major-domo of State's football forces. He threw his cigar on the floor and swore. "I don't know what to do with the guy!" He stopped and looked at Pat Lester plaintively. "Sure, in the books the coach says, 'You're through, Laird. Turn in your suit. Take a powder. Best it.' All very pretty. But what does the coach say if the guy's the biggest star in the country? We can end the season right now without him." "You're right, Coach," Lester rubbed his bald spot and frowned. "Not only that, how that baby

will pack 'em in the stands from now on!"

THERE was a knock. "Come in," snapped Dugan.

"Hello, Coach." It was Pete Laird, suitcase in hand, looking not at all apologetic.

Dugan nodded to Lester and the assistant exited without a word. "Sit down, Laird," said Dugan.

"I'll stand." They glared at each other before Pete spoke again. "Before you go into a song and dance, Coach, I didn't come here to cry on your shoulder. I'd do it again if I had a chance. That's my private business, and I don't care to argue about it."

Dugan gripped the arms of his chair. He wanted to get up and kick this insolent kid out of his office, but something warned him to sit there and stay cool. "Go ahead," he said, sitting back and folding his hands under his chin. "Go ahead and say your piece."

"Your business is running a football team," Pete continued. "That's all you're interested in. You can give that rah-rah State baloney to the sophomores. I've been around too long for that. If you leave me alone, I'll play better football for you than I ever did. I'll be helping myself and helping you. But if you try to make this a Boy Scout troop, you'll be cutting your own throat. Suit yourself."

Dugan sat quietly for a full minute. Was this Pete Laird talking? Was this the boyish, modest kid who used to come out of a game and ask nervously, "Was that all right, Mr. Dugan?" Dugan didn't blink an eyelash. "O. K. Pete," he said, standing up, "let's shake on it."

That evening George Landers bolted into the ever-crowded Delt House hallway, walked up to Anne Humphreys and crushed her in his arms. They were alone—the room full of people was out of their world. "You're mine now, darling," Landers said huskily.

THIRTY-SEVEN squad boys moved to a hinterland country club Friday to get away from University Town's pre-game bustle. Alumni poured into the town for the Northwestern game. A capacity crowd was predicted. Press reservations carried an imposing corner on the sports writing fraternity. And the magnet that drew them was the magic name of Laird.

Pete roomed alone at the club that night, the first time in three

years he had been separated from Landers.

Game time Saturday brought the same tightening of the craw, the giddiness and quickening of the pulse Pete had experienced as a sophomore.

Dugan scorned long locker room tirades. "Open up early," he directed. "Get these guys in a hole. Reverses and spinners, George," he nodded to Landers. "All right—on your feet—to work!"

A cacophony of sound roared in their ears as they jogged out. "State! State! State!" chanted the crowd. Opening day at home, and the crowd was for them. Northwestern, brawny and capable, came storming out on the field. Obviously the opposing eleven was hopped up for this game.

Landers won the toss and elected to receive. The crowd was tense as they lined up.

Pete Laird moved his legs, keeping loose. Whistle—kickoff—and the ball spun out of bounds. Northwestern was taking no chances of a runback. Their scouts had warned them about that California game. State's ball on their own 35.

First play and Landers called a tricky one. The ball came back to Mike Tullio, fullback. Pete cut behind him, Pete set sail around the ball and Joey Anderson had pulled from his guard position to block. Dan Halloway, the wing back, and Landers were also clearing up ahead. Past the line of scrimmage Pete tore, cutting back sharply toward mid-field.

One of the Wildcats lunged at him, but Laird shook him off. Another crouched ahead, waiting for him to feint. But he plowed on, bowled over him and kept moving. He was on the 30 now, one more white jersey to get by. He faked the Northwestern safety man out of position, cut sharply to the left and turned on the steam. He was away and over. Forty-five seconds had elapsed and State had scored. The crowd screamed his name as he touched the ball down and trotted back to meet his teammates.

Close observers might have noticed that no State player rushed up to him and slapped him on the back.

And if the fans could have listened in on the State huddle when the men lined up before the extra point, they would have heard Pete Laird sneer: "Lucky thing for Northwestern I'm not in shape," and then look up at his teammates and laugh loudly. Too loudly.

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